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1. Congo

Rebel army representatives were in Nairobi this week looking into the prospects for recruiting Kenyan "volunteers." The men they approached--some of whom have had military training in the USSR--apparently were interested, but said no one could be sent to the Congo until the government agreed. [redacted]

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The country remains quiet despite Prime Minister Jagan's refusal to resign and his inflammatory statements. The British are trying to persuade him to get out, but London will wait no longer [redacted] before issuing a legal order removing him from office.

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3. Cuba

The Cubans have almost finished building [redacted] fortifications around the Guantanamo base. This will greatly improve their ability to harass the base, even to the extent of denying use of its airfield.

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4. South Vietnam

The hunger strike begun by the Buddhists today is orderly so far, but suggests that they are confident of their popular support and prepared to have a trial of strength with the Huong government. The possibility of a reconciliation seems much diminished, and the chances of side reactions debilitating to the government--such as another revolt among the mountain tribes--increased.

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[redacted] the mountainers may rise [redacted] depending on how they feel about what is happening in Saigon.